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AT LAST.

'She is a queer craft, truly, senor, and, what is more, she has at least one bit of queer history attached to her.'

We were standing on the Custom-house quay at Port Mahon—he, swarthy, handsome, eager-eyed and nervous of speech, a typical representative of the ragged, ease-loving, idleness-cursed rabble which throngs every city of the South of Europe, and has sent its stragglers even into the army of busy workers which populates the Balearic Islands.

The subject of his comment, an old brig with high bow and towering poop, elaborate with quaint carvings, to which some tarnished remnant of its ancient gilding clung, rode easily at anchor amid a fleet of other smaller but similarly abandoned craft in the neglected corner of the harbor to which all such marine veterans were relegated until some enterprising speculator undertook to break them up.

'What is the history?' I asked.

'The senor would like to hear it?'

'I would indeed.'

My new friend deliberately drew a leaf of tobacco from his pocket, rolled it into a cigar, which he lighted from mine, blew a cloud of pungent smoke out in the direction of the brig, and seating himself on one of the stone mooring-posts, with his eyes fixed upon the vessel, said:

'Then you shall.'

This is his story as closely as I can recollect it, word for word:

Fifteen years ago two people who loved one another more than well, lived at the farmhouse of the Finca Suberney in the Barranco (valley) de Algandar.

One was a girl of the farm, a creature of a beauty as pure and sweet as out summer sky; and a spirit as loving and wayward as the wind that blows from the orange gardens of Alayor.

The other, a lad of twenty, half sailor, half husbandman, but all true lover, had been anchored in the valley by the cable of his heart, and in her eyes forgotten to long for the free air and the salt spray.

They were man and wife, of but a few month's standing—man and wife, who went to labor, in the lime-groves and orange orchards side by side, and to whom, even with its weary work and common fare, the valley was a Paradise.

In the third month of their marriage a stranger appeared in the valley.

He was an Englishman, a traveler for pleasure, whose idle lounge brought him to the farm. The place pleased him; the people, as everywhere in the Islands, were hospitable, and proud of the presence of a guest, so he remained.

Days wore to weeks, weeks became months, and still he lingered. To-day it was an excursion among the shepherds of the desolate heights, that hem the valley in; to-morrow a sturdy climb up the Monte del Tow, with its wind-worn convent ruins; [illegible] long rides through fields of golden grain and gardens of olives, fruit groves and fertile farms. Whatever the amusement was he followed it up earnestly, as his countrymen always do.

[illegible] his second month's stay one of these excursions brought him down the mountain side after nightfall, with a wild gale blowing from the north, sweeping over the bare hills with a bitter breath.

As he rode in the darkness, his attention was attracted by a woman's shriek. It pierced the night, and the gale, sharp and clear, full of wild appeals for aid, and pushing toward it without hesitation, he found himself before one of those high, pyramidal structures of loose stones, in which the Balearic shepherds shelter their sheep.

A fire was burning under the lee of the [illegible] and by its light he saw a woman—a girl, rather—struggling in the arms of a burly, skin-clad ruffian, while two others looked on with savage langus

To ride one of these down, fell the other to the earth, and with a fierce cut of his whip across the face compel the third to release his prey, was the work of as little time as it takes to tell it, and before the shepherds had recovered from their stupefaction, the creator of it had cantered out of reach of the volley of stones they sent after them, clasping the rescued girl to his breast.

Her story was soon told. She was the young bride of the farm, on her way home from another *hacienda*, had been stopped by the half-savage shepherds, as he had seen; so, riding and talking, they came to the door of the house where she was an honored guest and she a drudge.

Great as the social difference between them was, her gratitude and his admiration bridged it over. They met often, he always loftily kind, lavish, on his return from an occasional visit to town with trifling gifts; she ever humbly proud of his notice, truly grateful for his munificence.

The husband saw this, too, and saw it with pride. Poor fool! he thought that the valley, where men honored women as their own mothers, wives and sisters, was the world.

At last the guest departed. Next day a peddler from Mercadel passed through the valley. It was afterward recollected that he held some speech with her while exhibiting his wares to the people of the farm.

Many other things were recollected, too, when, next night, her place at the table in the kitchen was vacant. When the country all about was scoured, only to discover, two days later, that a stranger and a country-girl had met in the market-place of Mercadel, and had gone together to Port Mahon.

Thither the husband followed them, mad with outraged love for her and deadly hatred for her destroyer.

He found them not. They had gone in the yacht which had brought the traveler to the island, and which had lain waiting his pleasure in the harbor. Whither? To France some said. To France *he* therefore went, by the first vessel that sailed.

It would not profit to tell of the long, fruitless search; to tell how, following them from place to place, always too late, he traversed all the Mediterranean coast, until one day, hearing of him and that he was now traveling alone, he knew that the inevitable had come to pass, and that she had been cast aside for a fresher face, a newer love.

Still searching, he found her at last.

Found her in a slum, surrounded by thieves, by vagrants, by women who were only women in name, dead, with a breathing babe on her rigid heart.

He took the child, and returning with it to his native place, put it among those who would care for it, and once more turned his restless face toward his goal. He carried a keen knife, and had a use for it sworn over her sacred grave.

It was dreary waiting; and sometimes his heart failed him. The knife-blade, rubbed so often to kill the rust, was becoming thin.

It was becoming sharper, though, and he smiled each time he felt its constantly keener-growing edge.

'It will do its work all the better,' he thought. 'It will do it all the more surely, swiftly and fatally.'

Sometimes, however, a fear would beset him. Might he not die? The very roving life his pursuit led him exposed him to perils which might balk his purpose.

'If I should die before I meet him!' he thought. 'My God! if that should be!'

And at this thought his blood would turn to ice, and a strange horror come over him, a horror that would set his brain whirling, full of mad devils, that had all one single, mocking face, and seemed to jeer at him and taunt him with defeat—defeat!

In one of those despairing fits a letter reached him from what had been his home. It told him that the child—her child—was ill, and besought him to return at once.

With a curse upon the fortune that interrupted his purpose, even for a few days, he set about it to obey the latter nevertheless.

He was in Palermo. The old brig yonder lay there, bound for Majorca, and he shipped on her.

On the night of the third day out they came upon a boat, drifting, and in it a fainting man—the last survivor of a pleasure-yacht foundered in a gale two days before.

He was taken on board, revived and restored, and next day appeared on deck. The husband saw him, and his heart gave a great leap.

The end, long sought by many laborious ways—through deadly peril, toil, trouble, bitter want, but always with undeviating faith, had come at last.

He and her murderer stood face to face!

His hand went at once to the knife in his bosom, but touched the priest's letters and fell again.

He must be cautious. He must not create any barrier to his seeing the sick little one among the Majorcan Hills.

His work could be done secretly and surely on some one of the days of the voyage yet to come.

Several of these days passed without bringing the opportunity.

At last it arrived.

One night the traveler and the captain sat late together over their wine. They were deep drinkers both, and the cabin lamp saw many a bumper emptied before the carousers separated.

The man at the wheel, looking down through the open cabin hatch, saw them rise at last, and heard the Englishman speak pressing his temples between his hands:

'I have a headache,' he said. 'I will go on deck for a breath of what little fresh air there is.'

It was hot, a breathless, heavy summer night, oppressive with the intense warmth of a coming storm; but the helmsman, as he felt for a knife in his bosom, all the furnaces of hell could not have brought such a fierce gust of flaming joy as turned his blood to fire, and flashed a red mist in his eager eyes when a figure stepped upon the deck.

At last! At last!

'A close, hot night, my man,' said the Englishman, in his easy, careless way, as he lounged slowly to the taff-rail. 'The sort of night to remind one of the tortures the damned undergo below.'

The brig gave a lurch to leeward, as the sea twisted her unmanned rudder. A bright blade flashed readily in the light of the binnacle; one figure only stood where two had been, looking with blazing eyes into the black water, where a circle of sharp ripples fringed with phosphorescent fire, widened in lines of pallid flame and vanished.

There had been a single deep groan, and a figure had plunged past the cabin window; a figure whose heart was cleft by a keen blade whose edge was worn so thin that it had been snapped off, leaving only the handle in the executioner's hand.

At the same instant a star, the single one visible in the murky heavens, had fallen in a swift sweep of light.

Next day it was known that the traveler, so lately snatched from death, had fallen overboard in a drunken fit, and been swallowed by the sea.

'And the man? The child?' I asked, when my story-teller drew a long breath, wiped the perspiration from his drawn brow with the back of his hand, and tossed his finished cigar into the water. 'Are they alive?'

'Faithless *padre moi*,' said a voice behind me, and a slender, brown-skinned, free-limbed girl of thirteen, bareheaded, barefooted, and clad in the picturesque peasant's dress of the country, stepped past me and smote my friend lightly on the face with a melon leaf. 'Is this your promise? Pardon, me senor, but you know not how false he is. He pledged me faithfully to take me to the theatre in the *plaza* to-day, and here I find him, as always, staring his eyes out at that wretched old ship yonder. What can there be about it that he feasts his eyes upon it so, like a poor woman praying at her shrine?'

'It is a shrine, a monument!' said the story teller, his eyes gleaming for a moment with savage joy, which softened to such a look of love as one rarely sees, when he brushed the girl's heavy hair back from her forehead and kissed her.

'Senor, you ask whether the man and the child of my story are alive. They are.'

And hand in hand with the girl he went up the blazing sunlit quay, and vanished in the busy streets.

To Break off Bad Habits.—Understand the reasons and all the reasons, why the habit is injurious. Study the subject until there is no lingering doubt in your mind. Avoid the places, the persons, and the thoughts that lead to the temptation. Frequent the places, associate with the persons, indulge in the thoughts that lead away from temptation.—Keep busy. Idleness is the strength of bad habits. Do not give up the struggle when you have broken your resolution once, twice, thrice—a thousand times. That only shows how much need there is for you to strive. When you have broken your resolutions, just think the matter over and endeavor to understand how it is you failed, so that you may be on your guard against a reoccurrence of the same circumstances.—Do not think it an easy thing that you have undertaken. It is folly to expect to break off a bad habit in a day which has been gathering for long years.

A friend asked of a pretty child of 6 years of age: "Which do you love best your cat or doll?" The little girl thought some time before answering, and then whispered in the ear of the questioner: "I love my cat the best, but please don't tell my doll."

Mr. Robbin's Speech.

On last Thursday week Mr. Robbins addressed the House of Representatives in a forcible and convincing argument in favor of the reduction of the tax on tobacco. He said the House had indicated by its vote of Monday a purpose to relieve tobacco of a portion of the burden which now oppresses it. Great loss has fallen upon the people in consequence of agitation, and the way to stop agitation, he said, is to reduce the tax. Tobacco is an agricultural product, and whenever you impose a tax on agriculture in excess of what is required for revenue, you are guilty of oppression. He showed that the present tax is too high to raise the most revenue and that more revenue was realized when the tax was reduced to twenty cents than when the tax was twenty-four cents. By a high rate of taxation you drive, he contended, men of small capital from the market, and add to the wealth and power of the great monopolists. This places the planter at the mercy of the latter, because it is far easier for a few to combine than for the many to do so. Now, there are but three classes of buyers to whom the producer of tobacco can sell his leaf, and a high tax curtails one of these classes—the manufacturers.

A vote for reduction is a vote against the monopolists and in favor of the mass of the people. He cited the significant fact that when the tax on tobacco was raised from twenty to twenty-four cents there was no corresponding increase in the price of tobacco, and the consequence was that the additional four cents that the Government was able to put into the Treasury on each pound of tobacco manufactured came out of the pockets of the tobacco men. He elaborated the fact that while the price of the leaf does not average more than from six to eight cents per pound—some is selling as low as two or three cents—the Government imposes now a tax of twenty-four cents per pound, and no other country in the world taxes an agricultural product grown upon its own soil as heavily.

He was very happy in answering those who say that revenue must be raised, and there is no better subject than tobacco for the purpose. The Government has recently paid $1,700 for Virginia tobacco-seed to send throughout the country so that people may grow patches of tobacco for their own use, and upon which they will pay no revenue. They do this, while preferring the manufactured article, because the twenty-four cents tax makes tobacco too high for their means. They will get used to this rough tobacco in time, and the manufacturer and the Government will be the sufferers, and all because the Government persists in pursuing the ruinous policy of high taxation. There were sixty millions of dollars of this tobacco consumed last year.

THE EFFECT OF REDUCTION ON THE REVENUE.

Mr. Robbins said that if you reduce the tax to 16c., for the first year the falling off of revenue in consequence will not exceed $6,000,000—$5,000,000 for tobacco and $1,000,000 for cigar. He favored the suspension of the sinking fund as proposed by the Committee of Ways and Means, because by so doing we can save $36,000,000 annually. Deducting the $6,000,000, it will leave $30,000,000, and you can then let the tax on incomes alone. If members are opposed to an entire suspension, they can suspend to the extent of $6,000,000, which would offset his estimate of the deficit from a reduction of the tobacco tax. He contended that reduction was practical and just, and for the benefit of both the Government and the people.

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Fewer juvenile statesmen, who are eager to rush into the places their seniors and betters ought to occupy.

Fewer impetuous young men, eager to rush into print and raise the devil generally.

Fewer men to advocate the election of favorites on personal grounds, and more for the public good.

Fewer wire-pullers in popular conventions, and more people.

Fewer "leaders" to knuckle to popular prejudice, and more real leaders to combat such prejudices when wrong.

Fewer bar-rooms and more schools.

Fewer fences and more pastures.

Fewer scrub cattle and more good ones.—*Greensboro Patriot.*

Reduced to Eating Dirt.

AN AMERICAN MISSIONARY'S DESCRIPTION OF THE FAMINE IN CHINA.

[From the New York World.]

The Rev. S. Wells Williams, in a letter dated February 10, says:

This day was the worst of all. I saw abundant proofs of men eating clay or stones, and bought three stone cakes. The stone is the same as our soft stone pencils. It is reduced to dust and mixed with millet husks in different proportions, and baked. It does not look bad, but tastes like what it is—dust. The dead seem to-day to number more than on any previous day, for there were twenty-nine in eighteen miles along the road, and the circumstances were more frightful.

In one valley the road branches into two, and my servant took one while I took the other—one on each side the stream. On his road the servant saw a woman lying in a ditch, after being robbed of all she had, and still moving, though unconscious of any one passing by.—Further on we saw a man's head cut clean from his body—a cruel murderer's deed. We saw also among the dead some wounded heads, but not done by the wolves, dogs or birds. The dogs barked and howled at us when we drove them off from the dead. Many of the corpses seen when we were going had disappeared, but their places were more than supplied by others.

To these details of what I saw I give you a briefer account of what I have heard. Some men coming from Sichum, on their way to Peking, said that along the whole way they saw dead bodies here and there. Snow had fallen in Honan province a foot deep, and about eight inches in Shansi to the west and northwest, and none further north in that province. In all that region west of this cold had been unusual. The soft stone is sold at from 2 to 5 mills a pound, and bark from 5 to 7 mills per pound for food. The roots of sweet flags are dug, but they cause the face to swell. Grain is three or four times the usual price, and turnips and cabbage five or six times. Flour is 7, 8 and 9 mills per ounce.

In every city I passed through the report was twenty, thirty or forty dying daily. At Ping-yan ten great pits had been filled, and two carts were daily employed in carting the dead. One inn-keeper told us that one of his customers reported having counted 270 dead on the road in three days' journey. Whole families, old and young, die in their houses and lie there unburied. In one district a third of the population are dead, and the people maintain that in many towns fully one-half have perished, and they know villages where formerly dwelt 300, 400 and even 500 people, of whom not more than a hundred now remain.

How a Man Reduced His Size.

Banting, "Undertaker to the Queen and royal family," died recently at the age of eighty-five. He invented a system of diet which became as famous in our age as that of Cornaro was three hundred years ago. In a curious pamphlet which he wrote, and which had a cosmopolitan circulation some ten years ago, Mr. Banting related his sufferings from his enormous obeisity in terms as moving as those of "Falstaff." For years he had not tied his shoes, and he was obliged to walk down stairs backwards, lest the protuberant weight of his trunk should pitch him down head foremost. He adopted a regimen by which he gradually shrunk himself within such bounds that he became quite a nimble pedestrian. The fact that he lived through this process to die at the age of eighty-five may be taken to show that abstenance from farinaceous and saccharine food worked as well in his case as living on an egg a day did in the case of Cornaro. But others who have adopted his system have fared worse. Still his work has borne good fruit, if only in making people think about what they eat and drink in its relations to their vitality as well as to their appetites; and the man cannot be said to have lived in vain who enriched his native language with a new verb, "to bant."

The Atlanta *Constitution* says: Genuine white shad are being caught this season in the Ocmulgee, Etowah and Oostanaula rivers. At Rome especially, they are being taken in quantity, one gentleman alone taking 150 pounds at one haul from his traps. We are advised that these shad are delicious in flavor and fibre, being without any doubt the genuine white shad. For some years past the fishermen have been taking what is known as 'hickory shad,' and which are, without doubt, the boniest and most aggravating fish in the world. Their bones are set in a tangle, and there is no pleasure in eating them. The presence of the genuine white shad is a blessing to the people of North Georgia. Instead of having to pay 25 cents a pound as formerly, they are now hawked about the streets at 6 and 8 cts. a pound. These shad are the growth from the millions of little fish placed in these rivers under direction of the government last year.

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The Oldest Man.

If anybody wants to live a couple of centuries (1) let him never overfeed, and (2) let him never get drunk. At least these are the rules of health laid down by Miguel Solis, a half-breed farmer in the foot-hills of the Sierra Mesila, New Granada, who confesses to being 180 years old, but is believed by his neighbors to be really much older. Dr. Luiz Hernandez, who has recently paid him a visit, found him at work in his orchard; his skin was the color of parchment, but he was robust and active, his snow-white hair was twisted turban-fashion round his head, and his eyes were so bright that the doctor felt quite uncomfortable when they were turned upon him. Miguel said that the secret of his living a century or two was very simple—never getting drunk and never overfeeding. "I eat only once a day, a big hearty meal, which it often takes me half an hour to get through with; but, you see it is not possible in half an hour to eat more than you can digest in the next twenty-four." He went on to say that he had not made up his mind about meat, but did not eat much of it. He fasted on the first and middle days of each month, eating nothing, but drinking all the water he could swallow. He always let cooked food cool before tasting it; and to this precaution he attributed the fact that his teeth are as sound now as they were 185 years ago. Dr. Hernandez was informed by some of the oldest inhabitants of the districts that they well remembered Miguel as a reputed centenarian when they were boys; also that the name of Miguel Solis, colored farmer, appears in a writ, still preserved, of the contributors to the building fund of a Franciscan monastery near San Sebastian, which was founded in 1712, and that the present abbot is positive it is the same man. But protracted as has been his sojourn on earth, he has not succeeded in winning the respect of his fellow beings. The Indians in the neighborhood firmly believe that he has sold his soul to the devil.

Supposed Discovery of the Tomb of David.

A letter has just been received from Prof. Osborn, of Oxford, O., written from Jerusalem, giving details of a visit to the tomb of David. The writer, Doctor de Haas, United States Consul at that place, says that the visit was made during the recent Passover.

The building is about five hundred feet south of the Lion Gate, itself the most southern gate of Jerusalem. It has long been known as the tomb of David, and contains an upper chamber where, according to tradition, the Lord's Supper was instituted. The building has massive foundations, and the "upper room" is constructed with heavy groined arches.

The so-called tomb is made of marble and porphyry, covered with a pall of embroidered cloth with the Arabic letters in gold, "Oh, David! verily thou art the sovereign prince in all the earth." Prof. Osborn says that tomb was visited by a lady whom he met in Jerusalem some years ago, and with much the same results as to observation, except that Doctor de Haas has discovered a door walled up, leading from the crypt containing the tomb. This walled up way is supposed to be the actual tombs of the kings, and the so-called tomb is only a cenotaph.

Some time ago a plan, made by a Turkish architect, of the tombs at Hebron Mosque, was obtained and published by Prof. Osborn, in his geographic notices of the city, the accuracy of which was testified to by Dean Stanley in his account of the Prince of Wales.

In this latter place of the Hebron tombs is also a closed subterranean passage, and the inference is that, in both places, the true tomb, and probably the actual remains of the kings and patriarchs, at this tomb of David and at Hebron, are yet unbroken, having never been visited in the cavernous sepulchres. Here is work to be performed, in opening these tombs, which will create a sensation in the archaeological world unequaled by anything discovered at Troy or Mycenae.

The so-called Rose of Sharon is one of the most exquisite flowers in shape and hue. Its blossoms are bell shaped, and of many mingled hues and dyes. But its history is legendary and romantic in the highest degree. In the East, throughout Syria, Judea and Arabia, it is regarded with the profoundest reverence. The leaves that encircle the round blossom dry and close together when the seasons of blossoms are over, and the stalk, withering completely away from the stem, the flower is blown away at last from the stem on which it grew, having dried in the shape of a ball, which is carried by the breeze to great distances. In this way it is borne over the wastes and sandy deserts, until at last, touching some moist place, it clings to the soil, where it immediately takes fresh root and springs to life and beauty again. For this reason the Orientals have adopted it, as the emblem of the Resurrection.

The Carolina Watchman.

SALEM, N. C.

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NOTICE.—All persons indebted to this office, by *note* or *account*, would confer a special favor by calling and settling, as we need money.

CLUBS.—We will club the *Press* and the *Carolina Sermon*, published in Wilmington, for $2 75 a year; or $1 50 for six months.

The late spell of cold weather, notice of which we published in our last week's issue, seems to have done a great deal of damage North and West, great injury was done to the grain crop, as well as to fruit and vegetables generally. Fortunately our section escaped without any perceptible injury being done to the dohgs of evil minded men. And yet the movement has many promises to be the cause of yet greater trouble. These disturbances almost always assume greater proportions than was originally anticipated from the participants, from the fact that they are engaged in by many low and violous people, who, taking advantage of the situation, work out their desires in the way of rioting and destruction.

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The People's Press.

THURSDAY, MAY 23, 1878.

JOB PRINTING, OF *every description done at this Office, in First Class style and at reasonable rates.*

LOCAL ITEMS.

CHERRIES only 5 and 6 cts. a quart.

ASPIRANTS for the town offices are said to be many.

THERMOMETERS 92 in the shade Tuesday.

TAX LISTING TIME.—See notice in another colum.

F. CLOUD was re-appointed assistant on the Winston police force.

INFERIOR COURT of Davie is in session this week.

WHEW! how warm it was for the past few days. Regular Summer weather.

WE hear rumor of another mountain trip soon. This time ladies will grace the company.

THE front of the Reading Room is much improved in appearance by a new fence.

OCCASIONALLY you see a new string going up, but the telephone excitement is about over.

Mr. JAMES GARBODEN is enlarging and otherwise improving his dwelling on Salt Street.

GARDEN beds interfered considerably with the fruit grower's strawberry traffic this season.

THE Good Templars repeated their performance of 10 nights in a bar-room, Wednesday night.

THE Matthes and Humphrey case has been removed to Surry County for trial. Defendants being bound over in a bond of $3,000 each.

SEALED PROPOSALS are solicited until the 31st inst., for night-watch, police officer and lamp-lighter. The Mayor and Secretary will receive bids.

THE colored folks got up a first-rate minstrel performance, and gave two renditions in Tise's Hall, last week, for benefit of the colored M. E. Church.

EARLIEST farmers report wheat harvest in two weeks. Much complaint from all directions of rust. Some say an insect is also at work on the grain.

NEXT TUESDAY (28th) is the Bethany High School Commencement. A very pleasant day could be spent in attending the exercises.

ANOTHER LARGE EGG.—Mrs. F. M. Pratt, of this county, is in possession of a hen's egg, measuring 6¼ inches round the long way, and 5¼ inches round the other way.

PRIZE SALES are raging at the tobacco Warehouses at present. Browns' Warehouse will hold another, on Friday, the 31st inst., and Lash's on th 4th of June. Brings lots of trade and life into town.

THE SCHOLARS of Winston Moravian Sunday School gave a good Concert on Sunday, at 3 p. m. The house was crowded, exercises well rendered, and a success in every respect.

THE ALMANAC called for frost on the 16th, and we had it, nipping as it did many of the tender plants in the gardens, but more especially in the bottoms. Nothing serious.

NICHOLSON'S, Sparks' and Sides' mill ponds, entice the anglers forth during the warm weather, for a day of recreation. We have seen some fine specimens of the finny trifle captured in these waters.

THE ENGINE of our Rough and Ready Fire Company has been in use for 46 years. Was brought from Philadelphia in 1832, and is of the old-fashioned pump style. Although ancient, the fire extinguisher throws water yet very well.

Rev. F. RONDTHALER is absent on a short visit to the Moravian Church at Mt. Bethel, Va. The pulpit of the Moravian Church was filled Sunday morning by Rt. Rev. E. A. DeSchweinitz, and Mr. Byron Spaugh in the evening.

Rev. JAMES BUXTON, pastor of the Episcopal Church at Ashville, delivered a fine sermon at Tises' Hall, Sunday morning, to a large audience. He is the father of J. Cameron Buxton, Esq., of Winston.

NAT. PEEBLES', is the Superintendent of the Sunday School at Shady Grove, Davie County, which organization, in its summer session, is in a very prosperous condition.

Rev. Mr. Wilson, a Methodist divine, holds service at the above church, the third Sunday in each month.

DEATH TO FLIES.—In order to exterminate the large number of flies that infest our households during the summer months, S. E. ALLEN, of the Winston Hardware Store, has procured and is now selling cheap, a large lot of Patent Fly Traps. They work well, and destroy thousands of flies each day. †

THE privilege of hearing the gospel preached is afforded to every individual, both white and colored, hereabouts, with the exception of the inmates of our county jail. An inmate of the ail recently informed us that during his period of confinement,—one year—not once did he hear the scriptures expounded.

WHEAT. — While our farmers are complaining of defective wheat, news from the river section is very encouraging. The cereal never looked better or finer, and at the harvest time, in two or three weeks, a bountiful crop will be reaped, no doubt. Late wheat about here is looking better too.

FISH LAW. — The dwellers on the Yadkin are said to be strictly observing the fish law which went into effect May 1st, and expires June 10th, forbidding any person to net, trap, or in any way catch fish from the waters of the Yadkin River within the limit prescribed,—41 days,—during the spawning season.

WE are beginning to get a taste of the great world as it really is. Sharpers, come and go, administering doses of pleasantry, and watching for an opportunity to "lift you." A word to the wise, etc., and shun the suspicious looking, lest you should harbor in your bosom by mistake—*a viper*.

THE third number of the *Academy* has been published. It is neat in appearance and full of interesting matter. It improves with every number. Call at the office of the Principal of the Academy and get a specimen copy, and subscribe for it. Only 50 cents for 10 numbers. We hope our citizens will lend a helping hand to sustain the little journal.

A fishing party, consisting of three portly gentlemen, spent Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week, in hauling some of the finny tribe out of the waters of Muddy Creek. The three days' angling resulted in catching about 600,25 fish. A friend says the party put in the remainder of the week trying to find out which pays best, shoemaking and farming or fishing.

THE FLY FAN is a late novely, just received at S. E. ALLEN'S Hardware Store, Winston, and is the very thing every person should have in "fly time." It is operated by clock-work, and will run several hours with one winding up. It dispenses with a hand to keep off the swarms of flies that hover around the dinner table, and to persons who enjoy an afternoon nap, it is indispensable. Call at the sign of the Red Hot Stove for further information and prices. †

MT. AIRY NARROW GAUGE RAILROAD. It seems by the following, clipped from an exchange, that he people of Surry and the counties along the line of the proposed Railroad, are waking up to a living sense of duty and going to work in good earnest.

"The Mt. Airy and Greensboro Rail Road Company have applied to the State penitentiary Board for Convicts to work on their road, which request will be granted as soon as posssible. Mr. J. M. Brower is now engaged in having shanties erected for their accommodation."

THE Commencement exercises of Salem Female Academy will be on Thursday, June 20th at 9 o'clock a. m. The concluding Musical Entertainment will be given in the evening of the same day at 8 o'clock.

Among several musical renditions upon which Prof. Agath's choir is busily engaged, are selections from Mendessohn's XCV Psalm, and a number of secular choruses and part-songs for the concluding Concert of the term. One of them, a brilliant Barcarolle, by Campana, is fairly transporting.

Circulars, containing travelling arrangements and other particulars, will be mailed in due time to the patrons and friends of the institution by the Principal. Rev. J. T. ZORN.

THE FRUIT CROP.—Letters received by our fruit growers, report serious injury to the peach and grape crop in Maryland, New Jersey and other Northern and Western States, from the recent cold weather. The letter further states that upon the Southern markets will in a great measure depend the supply of green fruit.

This is encouraging to our orchardists, as the yield here, from present indications, will be prolific.

S. T. Mickey informs us that he has 18 acres in grapes, which promise the largest shipments since 1872. Messrs. Linville and Laughenour, also report promising out-look for abundant yields.

OUR RAILROAD. — The Greensboro *Patriot* sums up the revenue of our Rail Road as follows: "There have passed over the Salem Road since operation in 1873, more than 50,000 passengers, the sales of tickets realizing not less than $60,000."

The freight and express business is not included, which would sum up a total, almost incredible, as both are large and important branches. With a yearly increase in the business and population of the towns, affording a better market for the rich yield of our fertile lands and fair prospects for an air-line route from Danville to Statesville, extending through our most productive section of the country and connecting at this point, truly we can exclaim, what a glorious section is this to live in and to prosper.

ACCIDENT.—Jim Cornish, an employee in the Agricultural Works met with a very painful accident on last Thursday morning. He was engaged in adjusting a belt to a shaft extending outside of one of the buildings, when his coat was caught and quickly wound up, making several revolutions through the air, when his weight and the speed with which the shaft was turning tore his clothing loose and he was dashed upon a plank platform. His left ankle bone was broken, it is supposed, by striking a short distance below, and his head and body bruised by the fall. It was certainly a providential escape from death.

FORSYTH COUNTY TAX ASSESSMENTS FOR 1878.

Horses and Mules	1st class,	$75 00
" "	2d class	50 00
" "	3d class	30 00
" "	4th class	20 00

Jacks, 1st class $75 00, 2nd class $50 00
Jennets, $50 00.
Goats, Sheep and Lambs $1 00 each.
Cows, 1st class, $15; 2nd class, $10; 3d class $8.
Hogs and Pigs 2 cts per lb gross. Bacon and Lard, 6 cts per lb. Corn, 40 cts per bushel. Wheat, 90 cts per bushel. Whiskey and Brandy 25 cents per gallon, Raw Cotton, 7 cts per lb. Tobacco $1 00 to $90 00 per hundred. Hay, 40 cents per hundred.
On the Poll and Real Estate same as last year.

WE published, two weeks ago, that the pastor of the Baptist Church had distributed among 10 little boys and girls an envelope each, in which to place contributions solicited towards the enlargement of the Sunday School library, and prizes to be awarded each according to success of their labors. Sunday morning the envelopes were handed in, and the result given below, was far beyond all expectations, showing with what zeal and energy these little workers must have applied themselves to reap so rich a harvest. The list stands:

Mattie Hollister, 1st prize, $1 in silver,	- -	$ 12.50
Mollie Watkins	2nd prize 50 cts.	8.65
Cora Hamlin,	3rd " 25 cts.	6.01
Conrad Watkins, (the remaining 7, 10 cts. each as prizes,)		4.50
Sallie Wiles,	- -	3.49
Fannie Marable,	- -	3.00
Jimmie Sims,	- -	1.62
Annie Jones,	- -	1.33
Willie Hilt,	- -	1.24
Willie Leigh not yet reported.		
Total	-	$42.25

IF YOU WANT a good job of work done, go to J. T. FISHEL'S SHOPS, one mile East of J. H. Miller's Foundry, where work in wood and ironing Wagons and Buggies, and repairing of all kinds in his line of business is promptly done. He is a good workman and works cheap for cash in these hard times. ‡‡

OUR COURT.—During the past week, among others, the following cases were disposed of:

The civil case of Hodgin & Sullivan against Martin, Hinshaw & Miller, of some years standing, has been removed, by consent of counsel, to Rowan Court for trial.

The case of Fountain Flynt, Administrator of Daniel Spease, against T. H. Bodenhammer, was decided in favor of Plaintiff.

Peggy Newsom was lodged in the county hotel for one month, found guilty of F. & A.

State against W. G. Willis, for bigamy, was tried Wednesday 1st week of Court: Defendant found guilty and sentenced to penitentiary for five years.

State vs. Joseph Brewer, for perjury, came up, was tried and the defendant acquitted.

Ben Palmer, col., for purloining ronsting ears, was found guilty of larceny and received a 2 years' sentence to the penitentiary.

Albert Dicks, col., was found guilty of larceny and sentenced to one year in penitentiary.

Ples. Hairston, col., indictment for larceny, guilty; one year in penitentiary.

George Lindsey, for forgery, found guilty, but has not yet received his sentence.

State vs. Eug. Boner, A. & B. Defendant found guilty and sentenced to 1 month imprisonment. Judgement revoked by consent of Judge, and prisoner released with payment of cost.

Lewis Wilkerson and Parish Ray, larceny. Ray was found guilty but the Judge has not yet pronounced sentence.

The Court at this writing, is occupied in hearing the case of Thos. Pegram vs. Stoltz, for damage, continued from fall term, 1870.

A NOVELTY.—We were shown the other day a novelty in woodwork, in the form of a fancy bird cage, the cage being the workmanship of the Rev. A. L. Oerter. It is composed of cherrywood, rosewood, holly and satinwood, and contains in all over 200 separate pieces. The general shape is that of an octagon, profusely ornamented at the top and bottom. Around the bottom, about an inch removed from the wire, is a fancy ballustrade, raised about an inch from the floor by eight ornamental feet. On the bottom of the cage itself is a neat design of a bird pecking grapes from a vine. This latter is of holly wood, and looks very neat when contrasted with the darker wood on which it is fastened. On two of the eight sides are what may be termed bay-windows, in which the food cups are fastened. The door is on a third side and opposite to the door a small rack for grass, apples, &c. On the top of this rack, and also of the little bay windows, are small, neat balconies. The top of the cage is so profusely ornamented that it is almost impossible to describe it. We were specially struck however by the twelve little figures of sea deities stationed at different points, apparently zealously blowing their conch shells. The whole is surmounted by a neat figure of rosewood. The circumference of the cage is three feet, and the height not quite two feet.

It is pronounced by those acquainted with wood work to be an extraordinarily fine piece of work—the result of many days of patient labor, and displays no common taste in its execution.

In order to afford any one who may desire to see this result of Rev. Mr. Oerter's skill an opportunity to do so, the owner of the cage has placed it at Blickenderfer's Notion Store, where it may be seen until Saturday afternoon.

JUST RECEIVED and on sale by E. A. EBERT, a nice line of SPRING AND SUMMER PRINTS at 6¼ cts., and 7 cents. COCHECO CAMBRICS, 10 cts. DRESS GOODS from 15 to 65 cts. Stock of WHITE GOODS complete.—A full supply of COTTONADES, JEANS, TWEEDS and CASSIMERES at low figures. CLOTH GAITERS at $1 00 per pair and upwards,—stock comprising all grades of common and fine SHOES;—beautiful side laced and buttoned foxed and lasting GAITERS.

A full and well selected stock of HATS, HARDWARE, DRUGS, GROCERIES, QUEENSWARE, &c., *at low prices to suit the times*. A careful inspection and comparison of prices respectfully solicited. 21-2t.

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The Liver is the imperial organ of the whole human system, as it controls the life, health and happiness of man. When it is disturbed in its proper action, all kinds of ailments are the natural result. The digestion of food, the movements of the heart and blood, the action of the brain and nervous system, are all immediately connected with the workings of the Liver. It has been successfully proved that Green's August Flower is unequalled in curing all persons afflicted with Dyspepsia or Liver Complaint, and all the numerous symptoms that result from an unhealthy condition of the Liver and Stomach. Sample bottles to try, 10 cents. Positively sold in all towns on the Western Continent. Three doses will prove that it is just what you want.

DIED.

At Browntown, Davidson county, on Sunday morning, 19th inst., WILLIAM RAPER, Esq., in the 83rd year of his age.

Mr. Raper was a well known and highly respected citizen. Elder Turner preached his funeral sermon, on Monday, to a very large number of people from the surrounding country.

In Lexington, on the 17th inst., Mrs. SALLIE R. SOWERS, (maiden name Winkler), a native of this place, aged 37 years, 7 months and 17 days.

She leaves a husband, five children and many relatives and friends to mourn her loss,—but we trust our loss is her gain.

OBITUARY.

Died at his residence, in Denmark, Tenn., on April 11th, 1878, F. A. KEEHLN, in the 54th year of his age.

He was born in Salem, N. C., and came to Tennessee in the year 1848. In the year 1856 he was married to Miss Maggie Neely, who died while on a bridal tour at Hope, Ind. In the year 1861 he was married to Miss Bell Williamson, who survives him with seven children. He had been, for many years, a consistent member of the Presbyterian church, and for several years a very active and efficient deacon.

He depended upon the mercies of Christ for his acceptance. He believed in family religion, dedicated his children to God in baptism, and took delight in calling them around the fireside to lead them in prayer. During his protracted illness, his greatest trials seemed to be that he could not attend church and hold family worship. He was a strong pillar in the church, punctual in attendance on all ordinances, always ready to work—a liberal supporter of the gospel and a faithful friend of his pastor.

Friends had noticed in him for some years a steady growth in grace. During the last six months of his life this growth had been more rapid and perceptible. He spoke frequently and freely of his approaching death. His death, though not unexpected, was very sudden, But no doubt that Friend whom he had so long trusted was there—that Friend, upon whose arm he could lean and say: "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me."

In his death, the Church and his pastor have sustained a heavy loss, his family an irrepairable one. We cannot understand why a useful man should be removed from the church and from his family at a time when he seemed to be so much needed. We do not murmur. "The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord." God is able to call in others and qualify them to labor as office-bearers in his church, and has he not declared himself to be "a father of the fatherless and a judge of the widows?" May the rich blessings of his grace descend upon this bereaved and sorrow-stricken family.

"O thou who driest the mourner's tears,
How dark this world would be,
If pierced by sins and sorrows here,
We could not fly to Thee!

"Then sorrow, touched by Thee, grows bright
With more than rapture's ray;
As darkness shows us worlds of light,
We never saw by day." S. C. C.

—*Tennessee Paper.*

NOTICE.

HAVING qualified as Administrators on the estate of Israel G. Lash, on the 1st day of May, 1878, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment and settlement. And all persons having claims against said estate will present them for payment within the time prescribed by law, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery.

THOS. B. LASH, } *Administrators*
W. A. LASH, } *of*
W. A. LEMLY, } *Israel G. Lash.*

May 16, 1878-tf.

TAX NOTICE.

I will meet the tax payers of Winston Township for the purpose of listing the taxable property for the year 1878, at the following times and places:

At Butner's Hotel, Salem, Monday and Tuesday, June 3d and 4th.
At Court House, Winston, Wednesday and Thursday, June 5th and 6th.
At John Masten's, Friday, June 7th.

E. A. EBERT, J. P.

Salem, N. C., May 23. No 21. 2t.

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Awarded *highest prize* at Centennial Exposition for *fine chewing qualities* and *excellence and lasting character of sweetening and flavoring.* The best tobacco ever made. As our blue strip trade-mark is closely imitated on inferior goods, see that *Jackson's Best* is on every plug. Sold by all dealers. Send for sample. ☞ G. A. JACKSON & Co., Mfrs., Petersburg, Va.

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40 MIXED CARDS, with name, 10c. Agents' outfit 10c. L. JONES & CO., Nassau, N. Y.

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A BRIEF TREATIES ON PULMONARY DISEASES will be sent *free* to all applicants. Address OSCAR G. MOSES, 18 Cortlandt Street, New York.

NORTH CAROLINA AT GETTYSBURG.

Applications are constantly made for copies of the *Observer* containing the articles in regard to the conduct of North Carolina troops at Gettysburg. The number of requests for these, from the Northern States especially, has latterly become so great that, being unable to supply them otherwise, it has been determined to publish them in book form.

The papers on the subject will be reprinted just as they appeared in the *Observer*, and will make a volume of some two hundred pages.

The book will be printed on fair white paper, with good clear type, and in paper covers will be sold at 25 cents each; to dealers and canvassers at $15 per hundred.

A library edition will also be made, printed on superior paper, and handsomely bound, which will be sold at $1 each; to dealers and canvassers at the rate of $60 per hundred.

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To each person remitting, after this date, direct to this office, $2.00, either for the WEEKLY OBSERVER for one year, or for the DAILY OBSERVER for three months, will be mailed postpaid, on application, a copy of the volume, "North Carolina at Gettysburg," handsomely bound in cloth. It will be ready for delivery in a few weeks.

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BY F. L. STANTON.

I thank God for this good, green earth,
For every fair and pleasant bower,
That smiles upon the modest birth
Of every dew-bespangled flower.
I thank God for these little birds,
That soar aloft on joyous wing;
More diligent than human words,
And sweeter are the songs they sing.

I thank Him for the little stream,
That murmurs softly as it flows,
And trembles 'neath the golden beam
That on its crystal surface glows.
I thank Him for the gentle breeze,
That comes from o'er the hilltops green,
And wantons 'mid the budding trees
Whose gracious branches shelter me!

I thank Him for the lovely face
Of Hope that lights with such a gleam
Within my sad, forsaken heart.
And though of every hope bereft—
Thou lost to all I loved the best,
I feel that there is something left
When I can fly to Nature's breast.

Ah! mine has been a lonely lot—
And full of storms my path appears,
The world I loved has loved me not,
Tho' I have stained its dust with tears.
If I have ne'er deserved its love,
Then, with a heart, all love and true,
I lift these streaming eyes above
And humbly ask to be forgiven.

HUMOROUS.

Peter Cartwright.

Among the most notable of the American pioneer preachers was Peter Cartwright, who was born in Amherst county, Va., in 1785, and died at Pleasant Plains, Ill., in 1872. When he was a child, his parents removed to Kentucky, where, about 1801, he was converted through the instrumentality of an itinerant preacher, and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was ordained as a Deacon in 1806, and as Elder in 1808. In 1812 he was appointed Presiding Elder, and acted in that capacity for sixty years; the last forty-five in the Illinois Conference. During his ministry he received more than 10,000 members into the Church, baptized more than 12,000 persons, and for thirty-three years preached on an average four sermons a week. His "Fifty Years a Presiding Elder," and his "Autobiography," edited by Rev. W. P. Strickland, D.D., are a perfect store-house of characteristic anecdotes and reminiscences.—Among these we find the following:

One day, on approaching a ferry across the river Illinois, he heard the ferryman swearing terribly at the sermons of Peter Cartwright, and threatening that if he ever had to ferry the preacher across and knew him, he would drown him in the river. Peter, unrecognized, said to the ferryman:

"Stranger, I want you to put me across."

"Wait till I'm ready," said the ferryman, and pursued his conversation and strictures on Peter Cartwright. Having finished, he turned to Peter and said:

"Now I'll put you across."

On reaching the middle of the stream, Peter threw his horse's bridle over a stake in the boat, and told the ferryman to let go his pole.

"What for?" asked the ferryman.

"Well, you've just been using my name improper-like; and you said if ever I came this way you would drown me. Now you've got a chance."

"Is your name Peter Cartwright?" asked the ferryman.

"My name is Peter Cartwright."

Instantly the ferryman laid hold of the preacher; little he did he know Peter's strength, for Peter instantly seized the ferryman, and holding him by the nape of the neck, plunged him in the water, saying:

"I baptize thee [splash] in the name of Satan, whose child thou art."

Then lifting him up, dripping, Peter asked;

"Do you ever pray?"

"Then it's time you did."

"I'll do no such thing!" answered the ferryman.

Splash! splash! and the ferryman was in the depths again.

"Will you pray now?" asked Peter.

The gasping victim shouted, "I'll do anything you bid me!"

"Then follow me—'Our Father, which art in heaven,' etc."

Having acted as clerk, repeating after Peter, the ferryman cried:

"Now let me go!"

"Not yet," said Peter. "You must promise me that you will repeat that prayer, morning and evening as long as you live, and that you will hear every pioneer preacher that comes within five miles of this ferry; and, 6d, that you will put every Methodist preacher over free of expense. Do you promise me?"

"I promise," said the ferryman; and, strange to say, that very man became a shining light in the Church.—*Leslie's Sunday Magazine.*

A lady said that [illegible] compliments which she [illegible] 6d. She was on [illegible] role past an Irishman [illegible] ing by the road-side [illegible] say: "I wish I was a [illegible] staling ov ye."

"What does 'transatlantic' mean, mamma?" "Across the Atlantic, child. Hold your tongue, and ask no more questions." "Then does 'transparent' mean across mamma?" (Has to forfeit her slate, and stand in the corner.)

AGRICULTURAL.

See What Your Wife Wants.

We cannot too often remind the farmer of the necessity of keeping his farm utensils in perfect order when in use, and of protecting them from the rain and sun when not in use. Everybody knows that much more labor can be performed with a good tool than with a poor one. What boy even does not know that his hoe works better for being bright, and with the handle of the right size and length. What plow-man does not know that he can turn a finer furrow with a bright clean plow, than with a dirty and rusty one. If the team could speak, they would tell you that their labor is less with a bright plow-share, a well oiled axle and a nicely-fitting yoke or harness. It is both economy and humanity to take special care that these seemingly unimportant details are promptly and faithfully attended to.

But while the husbandman is placing everything in "apple-pie" order, we would suggest that he devote some attention to that part of the labor which his wife directs or perhaps performs.—She needs a score of little trifling jobs performed which will be no trifles, when her comfort and convenience are considered. The wood needs to be split finer, some of it is too long. She needs something to kindle the fire with quickly, when you are in a hurry and are withal a little fretful at delay. A shelf or two may be 'handy to have.' A screen for the kitchen window or a new window for light and comfort may be within the range of possibility. Some hooks in closets or behind doors may assist her in keeping things 'packed up.' The flour barrel may need a cover, or the wash-tub may need a hoop. The mop may need reconstructing and the old broom may need replacing. In a thousand ways and in any moment of leisure you will be able to so assist your wife and lighten her labor, that she will appear to have grown ten years younger in a single hour. Try it.

Cut Clover Early.

Fat is most abundant in the young plant. Clover increases in dry weight until the blossom is matured, but the soluble matter diminishes with the growth of the plant. Dr. Voeley found that in a specimen cut June 2, the soluble matter constituted 40.04 per cent. of the dry weight, while on the 28th of July in the same growth it had fallen to 29.27 per cent. Wolff found that red clover cut when young contained 21.9 per cent. of albuminoids, but when the plants were old they included only 9.5 per cent. The ash under the same circumstances diminishes from 9.8 to 5.6 per cent. of albuminoids, and in old ones only 10.9 per cent.; also that the fat was three times more abundant in the young plants. These and many other similar experiments show that it is advantageous to cut fodder crops early; that is not later than the period at which they are in full blossom.

A Good Dog Law.

[From the Wilmington Star.]

Connecticut has a good dog law. In 1876 and 1877 there were four deaths from hydrophobia. During the present year there have been two. Some of the leading citizens were among the unfortunate victims. Each year from $12,000 to 15,000 have been paid annually for sheep killed by dogs. The Legislature, but recently adjourned, enacted a law which we copy, and hope our Solons that are to be will give it a close examination and then get a good plasterer to stiffen up spinal column: Here is the law:

"Every dog kept must be registered on or before May 1st, of each year, and $2.15 paid therefor to the Town Clerk for each male dog, and $6.15 for each female dog. Every dog must *constantly* wear around the neck a collar distinctly marked with the register number and the owner's name. Every dog not so licensed and collared is to be killed; $1 bounty is paid for the killing. Any person keeping an unregistered dog may be fined $6, or imprisoned 30 days, or both, and it is made the duty of the Grand Jurors and all other prosecuting officers to prosecute any violation of this act. All damages done by dogs to sheep or lambs, or cattle, are to be paid for by the town, and collected in full from the owners of dogs. Any person killing a registered dog, unless such killing be justifiable for the protection of life or property, is liable for the value of the dog, as established by competent evidence, and to a fine not exceeding $7, or imprisonment not exceeding 30 days, or both."

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